

NASA GSFC Containerized Computing



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Agenda



- History
- Location
- Infrastructure
- Innovation Activities





History



• 2009 NASA Nebula Project at Ames Research Center

 Computing and data storage services for NASA Centers, Mission Directorates, and external customers

• 2010 OpenStack

NASA and Rackspace develop open source cloud software under Apache 2.0
 License

• 2010-2011 Goddard Acquires Modular Data Center – Container

- NASA purchases and installs 40' container at Goddard as part of its Cloud Services

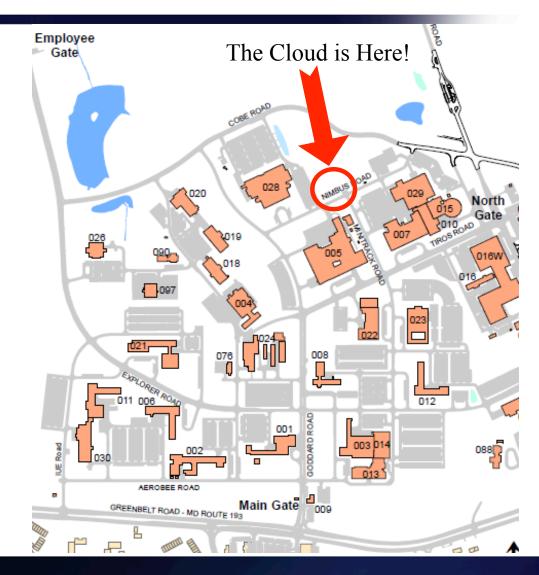
• 2011-Present "Operationalizing" the Container

- Nebula (decommissioned 2012)
- Innovation prototyping, cloud computing proofs-of-concepts
- Back-up



Location







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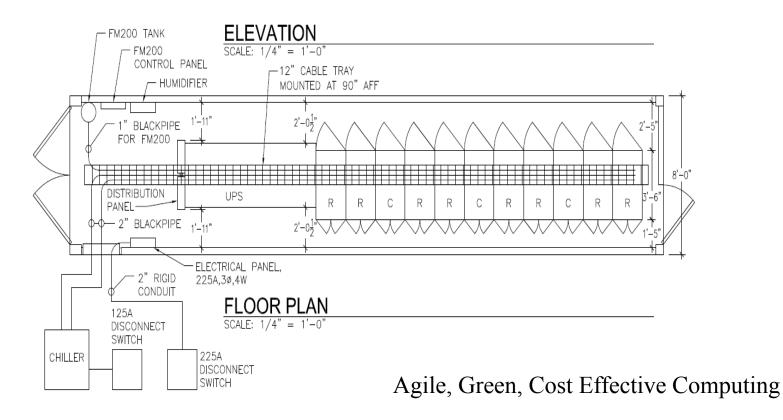






Container Infrastructure





- 30-50% Power savings over typical brick and mortar data centers (assuming PUE reduction from the range of 2.2 1.8 down to 1.2 1.05)
- Operational lessons learned that can benefit the Center as a whole when considering containerization as a part of data center strategy



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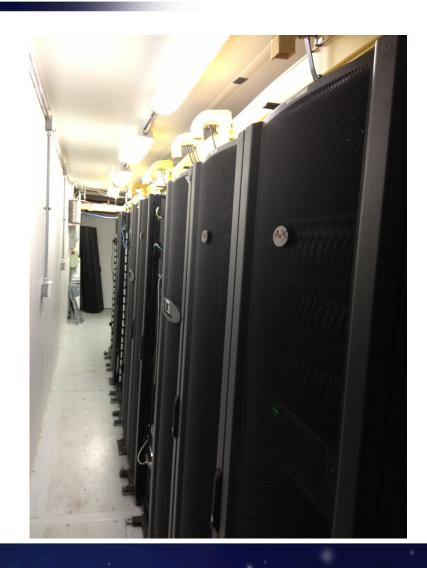
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| Network | CNE | SEN | CNE | CNE | CNE | CNE | CNE | CNE |
| Stack | Fail-over HyperV Windows Cluster | Eucalyptus | RHEV Linux | Fail-over stand-alone systems | Fail-over storage COOP Pilot | VMware vSphere + BMC CLM Citrix VDI | "On Hold" for SEWP system currently under development | SEWP Housing |



Container Racks









Innovation Hardware/Software



ITCD Containerized Cloud Computing Hardware

- The Innovation Team's computing hardware is located within (2) nineteen-inch computer racks (racks 2 and 6):
- (2) Arista Networks 24-port Ethernet switches, (1) Juniper EX2200 48-port Ethernet switch, and (1) Dell KVM 48-port switch
- (6) Dell PowerEdge R720 Servers 128GB RAM, CPU x2 / 8 Cores 2x 146GB, 15K RPM SAS
- (1) Citrix NetScaler MPX 9700
- (1) Dell PS5000XV SAN and (1) Dell PS6100XV SAN



ITCD Innovation Team



What is the Innovation Team?

- The Code 700 Innovation Team is responsible for developing cutting edge technology solutions for use across the Goddard Space Flight Center campus.
- The Innovation Team works with clients to take a vision, conceptualize a design, and develop an emergent technology solution in the ITCD Containerized Cloud Computing Environment.

What is the ITCD Containerized Cloud Computing Environment?

- The Innovation Team utilizes the Containerized Cloud Computing Environment, constructed outside of Building 28 on the Goddard campus.
- The container is a fully functional datacenter housed in a shipping container, with independent power and cooling systems.
- Developing technologies in the container enables the Innovation Team to centralize management of hardware, software, and security.



Innovation Team Prototypes



Cloud Computing - BMC Cloud Lifecycle Management

- Complies with standardized agency governance, including security requirements
- Provides a strong, flexible, and scalable cloud infrastructure
- Delivers a self-provisioning portal with chargeback capabilities



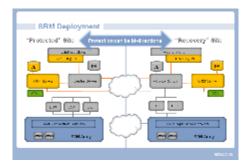
Virtual Desktop Integration (VDI)

- VDI is a remote centralized environment hosted by a data center that is capable of running desktop operating systems
- VDI reduces operations expenses by managing administrative and security tasks from a centralized location

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Disaster Recovery – Site Recovery Manager [concept]

- Mitigates potential data loss by automating data replication from multiple places, including physical and virtual servers
- Automates disaster recovery failover and boot sequence
- Provides primary and alternate site data replication foundation of a COOP strategy





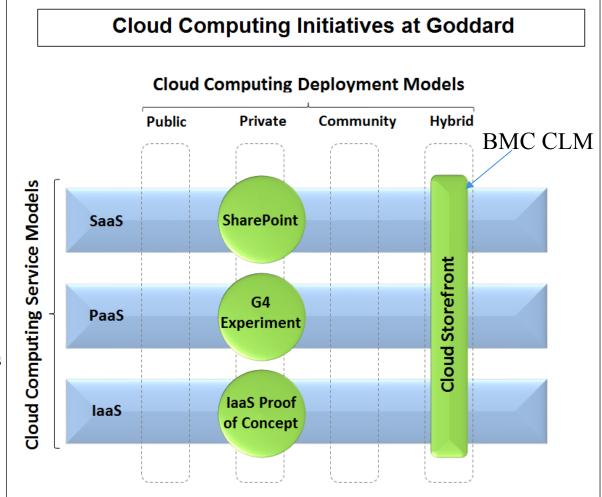
Innovation Cloud Computing in the Container



SaaS—Software as a Service PaaS—Platform as a Service IaaS—Infrastructure as a Service

G4—Giovanni 4 (Experiment) (Geospatial Interactive Online

Visualization ANd aNalysis
Infrastructure). Web-based application
developed by the Goddard Earth
Sciences Data and Information Services
Center (GES DISC) that provides a
simple and intuitive way to visualize,
analyze, and access vast amounts of
Earth science remote sensing data
without having to download the data





Benefits of Innovation



What Innovation Can Do For You

- Leverage a highly experienced team of Project Managers, Analysts, Cloud Engineers, Technologists, and Security Engineers with deep experience in innovation projects and a wide range of technical capabilities to develop emerging technologies
- Accelerate identification of new technologies, rapid prototyping and proof-ofconcept development in a dedicated (containerized) environment
- Identify technology gaps and streamline operational process to decrease business needs





Thank You!



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- Some cool (and useful) links (GSFC intranet):

http://itcd.gsfc.nasa.gov/

http://itcd.gsfc.nasa.gov/content/cloud-architecture-overview

